

Youngstown Mahoning Co Ohio  
August 14<sup>th</sup> 1888

Dear Sir

I have written to you twice  
& rec<sup>d</sup>. a very pleasant letter the first  
time I, again wrote to you & another party  
answered, stating that you were then in Eu-  
rope, (or England) & upon your return  
the communication rec<sup>d</sup>. from me would  
recieve attention - In your letter you stated  
that you would like to procure some of the  
fossil fruits of the Coal measures from  
this locality - If you are still of the  
same mind - I would be happy to exchange  
with you & can furnish fossil nuts or fruits  
of several species, also some ferns - & some  
of the fauna of this locality - My collection  
of fossils is poor as to the Permian, Triassic  
& Jurassic rocks, a little better in the Devonian  
& Silurian rocks, & I have quite a number of spe-  
cies of <sup>(plants)</sup> ~~Ortaseans~~ rocks, from Texas Colorado &  
Dakota & a very few foreign - I also desire  
to obtain minerals, & marine shells If you  
can aid me by an exchange I will be  
very thankful

Yours Truly  
R. P. Marrison

My dear Sir  
I have the pleasure  
to inform you  
that your order  
has been received  
and is being  
forwarded to you  
by the next  
convenient  
opportunity.

Yours faithfully  
John Smith